ATHENA Bi-weekly Meeting

Highlights of homework answers: Detectors



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Questions related to detector issues

ATHENA Answers to DPAP Questions (received on 12/17, 2021)

ATHENA Answers to DAC Questions (received on 12/22, 2021)



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From DPAP: T-1, T-2, T-3, T-4, T-5, T-6, G-5, G-6, G-7

T - Technical AspectsG - General Physics Performance

From Detector Advisory Committee (DAC): TR1, TR2, TR3, CA1, CA2

TR - Tracking CA - Calorimetry

DAC Questions - Tracking

TR1 The proposed silicon tracker is based on the **65 nm MAPS** technology currently under development at ALICE. What are the impacts on the silicon tracker design and its physics performance **if ALICE has to fall back on 180 nm technology**?

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TR3 The µRWell foils are a more recent technology; large installations on a 1m scale are proposed for ATHENA. Does there exist **experience with long-term operation of such large trackers.**

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Technical Questions

T-1 Provide some details on how **detector calibration** will be done

T-2 Can the **physics performance** be **optimized by adjusting the field strength** of the spectrometer magnet to the beam energies of different runs?

T-3 What happens to the physics performance if AC-LGADs have to be replaced by something else (e.g. LGADs)?

T-4 (i) What happens to the physics performance **if C2F6 and C4F10 cannot be used**? (ii) Have you considered using alternative gases for the initial design rather than as a later modification?

T-5 What happens to the physics performance if you need to use lead glass instead of SciGlass?

T-6 How will **radiation damage** of detector components affect physics performance, including forward and backward instrumentation? Please provide a map of the radiation field in the detector.

General Physics Performance Questions

G-5 Provide estimates of the **pi/mu rejection** factor in different regions of pseudorapidity

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The impact(s) on **tracking** and **vertexing** capability from the increased pixel size and additional material of the proposed fall-back solutions have been studied in ATHENA full simulations:



Tracking

- Fallback solutions can meet mid-central rapidity tracking resolution requirements
- Degraded momentum resolution at shallow angles, in the electron going direction because of material budget and pixel pitch.

Vertexing

- Minimized material in the vertexing layers crucial to achieve the vertexing requirements
- Increased pixel pitch associated with fallback solutions has a smaller effect.

- The fallback option for the ALICE ITS-3 sensor should the 65 nm stitched Tower process prove to be unsuitable is a **180 nm Tower process sensor with similar but probably not identical specifications**. Moving to the 180 nm process would probably involve moderately **increasing the pixel pitch and a moderate increase in the power dissipation**.
- The current design goals for the ITS-3 in **65 nm technology includes a pixel size of 10 µm2** and a **power dissipation of 20 mW/cm2**. ATHENA simulations include services (conductor material) corresponding to this power dissipation. We have been conservative in the simulations: the single point resolution used only includes the geometric component of the pixel pitch. If one would fit the hit clusters, one can improve the single point resolution by typically 50%. While we believe it is probable that a single point resolution based on a 180 nm fallback sensor would fall within this margin, we have repeated our simulations with representative variations of pixel size and material budget.

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- The installed ITS upgrade detector has a **very high fraction of live pixels**
- Extensive beam running over next years (any issues expected to be addressed in the ITS-3 sensor)
- Based on extensive testing of ALPIDE: sensors should maintain their full existing live over 10 years of running at the LHC
- For the EIC use, **we expect damage from radiation to be negligible** (the dose rates are at least a factor of 100 below)

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hDead3 Entries 0.127

0.6792 RMS

Mean





Fraction of dead pixels per module at 0 and -3V back bias

Noise rate in modules, composed of 14 sensors with ~0.5 M pixels each. All modules used in 68 delivered staves are included in the plot

With this number of life pixels, no impact on the tracking and vertexing performance is expected 13

DPAP Question - Radiation Damage

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Radiation Damage (DPAP)

- All sources of beam backgrounds (synchrotron radiation, electron and hadron beam gas) and radiation (neutron and ionizing radiation) have been simulated and documented in detail at <u>https://wiki.bnl.gov/athena/index.php/Beam_backgrounds</u>
- The radiation level at EIC is at least a factor O(100) reduced compared to the LHC
 - Example: Radiation map in the detector caused by primary interactions
 - > Pythia 6 simulation tuned for HERA experiments, COMPASS and STAR
 - Compared against CMS HL-LHC projections







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Spatial resolution of y

- Imaging layers: order of ~1 mm (1 GeV γ)
- GlueX ScFi: of the order of centimeters from timing resolution (~150 ps for 1 GeV γ)

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DPAP Question - muon PID

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Muons in the Barrel region

- Muon/pion separation in central region determined from information from the Barrel ECal and HCal
- Results for single particle simulation, see details in the following slides

 π contamination µ efficiency u efficiency [%] ATHENA baseline, neural network contamination ECal ScFi only, E/p method 100 ATHENA baseline, ECal + HCal



- At n = 0: muons >~1.5 GeV/c reach HCal, and <~1.5 GeV/c curl inside the BCal (different approach to analysis)
 - This discontinuity (in reaching HCal) is rapidity dependent \succ
- Neural Network studies in ECal done for $\eta = (-1, 1)$, ECal+HCal studies and E/p studies in ECal (see also answer to the DAC question CA1) done for $\eta = 0$
- Further improvements to muon/pion separation from PID detectors expected (DIRC)

 π suppression

Muons in the Hadron Endcap region

- Muon/pion separation in forward region determined from pECal and pHCal responses
- pEndCap calorimeter has five longitudinal segments: pECal + four sections in pHCal, total ~ 7 interaction lengths



Percent of events identified as muons for generated pion sample (pion contamination, dots) and muon sample (muon efficiency, stars) at η =1.74 and η =3.13

For ~90% muon efficiency, only a few % of pions are misidentified as muons

Simulation:

• Single particle simulation at η =1.74 and η =3.13 with stand-alone pHCal and pECal

Selection Criteria:

- MIP-like signal in pEndCap calorimeter sections (cut on energy deposit)
- Number of hits along the tracks consistent with no shower (at higher energy/rapidities)

DPAP Question - What if SciGlass → Lead Glass

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- The most critical performance goal of the EMCal in this region is **pion suppression for electron identification**.
- The final π/e ratio for DIS kinematics reconstruction is required to be between 1% to 8%, depending on beam energy (see Table 8.1 of the YR).
- Cutting on E/p for PbGI would result in a π/e ratio of <1% for p > 3 GeV/c.
- The final π /e suppression will be achieved utilizing the Aerogel-based RICH. It will provide additional pion suppression (>3 σ for π /e separation at <2-3 GeV/c) capabilities to keep the final π /e ratio below 1% for p > 0.5 GeV/c.



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Note: In ATHENA AC-LGAD technology is foreseen for:

- \succ bToF: barrel ToF for low-p_T PID at midrapidity
- Roman Pots: far-forward position and timing of scattered proton
- B0: far-forward timing of charged particles
- Off-Momentum Detector: far-forward position and timing of charged particles

Short answer: We are confident that AC-LGAD is the right choice for bToF and would be willing to wait, if needed, for a delayed installation after start-of-operation. Well established alternative technologies can be used in the three far-forward detectors w/o compromising physics performance.

- **Roman Pots and OMD:** If AC-LGADs are unavailable: existing MAPS with a suitable timing layer (e.g. DC-LGAD) would satisfy all the requirements
- **B0:** Alternative timing layer using DC-LGADs (strips) using two layers for x & y orientation

Is LGAD an Alternative for bToF?

	AC-LGAD (strip)	LGAD (strip)	LGAD (pixel)	LGAD (ATLAS/CMS)
Channel dimension (mm)	0.5×28	0.5×28	4×4	1.3×1.3
Position resolution (mm)	0.015 in $r\cdot \varphi$	$0.15 \text{ in } r \cdot \varphi$	1.2	0.4
Acceptance	0.98	0.88	0.95	0.85
Material per layer (X ₀)	~1%	~1%	2-3%	10-15% (not optimized)
Sensor and ASIC R&D	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A



No advantage of replacing AC-LGADs by LGADs

- degradation of momentum resolution due to lower spatial resolution (see Fig. above)
- additional material degrades bECal performance
 - ✓ excludes LGAD used by ATLAS/CMS since 10-15% X/X₀ not acceptable
- smaller acceptance
- R&D still needed for all options but ATLAS/CMS LGAD
 - ✓ to achieve optimal design, a similar level of R&D efforts on sensor, ASIC and other components of the detector system would still be needed for LGADs.

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About (i)

- Fluorocarbons are selected as radiator gasses in gaseous RICHes because of their :
 - ✓ High density at room conditions \rightarrow high Cherenkov photon yield
 - ✓ Small chromaticity → good Cherenkov angle resolution
- These requirements must be preserved to ensure ATHENA PID performance. They can be obtained pressurizing Ar at ~ 3 bar.
 - Contrary to fluorocarbons, Ar does not have green-house issues. It is cheaper, easier to procure, does not require complex gas recycling systems.

About (ii)

- > Yes: we are considering pressurized Ar for the initial design
 - The challenge is the mechanical design of the vessel, that should guarantee safety operation with limited amount of material
 - ✓ Preliminary studies of this design have started





DPAP Question - Impact of Iower MF

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- The field can be reduced: no technical limitation exists to operate the magnet at a lower field at any beam energy, neither from the solenoid, detector nor the accelerator side. However, we consider the full 3T field the optimal choice for the body of NAS measurements.
- The main performance impact of reducing the B-field is an increased acceptance at low p/p_T, nevertheless at the expense of losing p/p_T resolution in combination with a worse signal to background ratio (e.g. D0).
- The ultimate decision if low B-field runs are needed at all at different \sqrt{s} will be best based on operational experience.



M. Żurek - Homework Highlights: Detector

DPAP Question - Luminosity measurement

G-6 Provide some detail on how you estimate the accuracy of the **luminosity** measurement

DPAP Question - Luminosity



- Three complementary methods will be used for luminosity determination: (a) bremsstrahlung photon counting using (movable) PCALc; (b) counting of photon conversions in exit window using "luminosity spectrometer"; (c) photon energy flow measurement using PCALf (and movable SR filters F1/2 and monitors M1/2). These 3 methods, affected by very different systematic uncertainties, will be cross-calibrated to each other.
- This will ensure 1% luminosity precision for all electron beam energies (from 5 to 18 GeV) as well as hadron beam species (from protons to gold nuclei), and for low and high luminosity running at EIC

DPAP Question - Luminosity measurement

G-7 Provide some details about the acceptance and resolution in Q² and energy for **electrons scattered at very low angles**

DPAP Question - Electrons at very low angles

The acceptance of low-Q² taggers in ATHENA is limited by the apertures of the upstream electron beamline elements and by the presence of the dipole magnet B2eR, in front of the taggers. To maximize the electron acceptance and avoid unnecessary complications we propose to install two electron detectors, *Tagger 1* at 20 m from IP6 and *Tagger 2* at 37 m, with complementary acceptances, as shown for 18 GeV electrons:



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